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was sectioned and smears made from the interior of the gland. Great quantities of bacilli were found. No cultures or further experiments could be carried on, owing to lack of facilities. All other persons in the house have been placed in quarantine and will be held two weeks. I have little doubt that other cases have occurred here in the past and not been reported, as mentioned in my letter of March 12, 1901.

Respectfully,

H. A. STANSFIELD,

*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

P. A. Surg. J. C. PERRY,

*Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands, Manila, P. I.*

*Institution of an outgoing quarantine.*

MANILA, P. I., April 10, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that I had no difficulty in instituting the outgoing quarantine, as I impressed the different steamship agents that it was a protection to their boats, and with their assistance the work could be accomplished without delay to their vessels.

This inspection work was promptly started and has progressed without friction, although it has much increased the work of this already busy office.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,

*Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.,*

*Chief Quarantine Officer for the Philippine Islands.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

PORTO RICO.

*Report from Ponce.*

PONCE, P. R., May 7, 1901.

SIR: Through chief quarantine officer for Porto Rico, I have the honor to transmit herewith the quarantine and abstract of bills of health reports for the week ended May 4, 1901; also report of immigrants, the summary of transactions of this station, and mortality report of the city for the month of April, 1901.

Three vessels were inspected and passed and 7 bills of health were issued.

Since last report 5 new cases of smallpox have appeared and 9 cases recovered. Thirteen are still under treatment. No deaths.

Respectfully,

W. W. KING,

*Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.*

The SURGEON-GENERAL,

*U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.*

[Inclosure.]

*Number and causes of deaths in Ponce jurisdiction (city, playa, and surrounding country) during the month of April, 1901.*

Diseases of—		Dysentery (not epidemic).....	1
Digestive system .....	51	Tetanus (infantile).....	1
Respiratory system.....	16	La grippe.....	1
Circulatory system .....	15	Drowning .....	1
Nervous system.....	3	Sarcoma.....	1
Anæmia, malnutrition, inanition.....	26		
Malaria .....	19	Total.....	145
Tuberculosis.....	10		

Number of deaths reported during April, 1901 (a).....	145
Number of deaths reported during April, 1900 (a).....	345
Number of births reported during April, 1901 (a).....	69
Number of births reported during April, 1900 (a).....	98

(a) These figures are for the city proper, the playa, and surrounding district of Ponce.

*Summary of transactions of Service during the month of April, 1901.*

Total number of vessels inspected during April, 1901.....	22
Total number of vessels inspected during April, 1900.....	34
Total number of bills of health issued during April, 1901.....	24
Total number of bills of health issued during April, 1900.....	32
Number of vessels in quarantine during April, 1901.....	3
Number of passengers inspected during April, 1901 (incoming).....	93
Number of passengers inspected during April, 1901 (in transit).....	381
Number of crew inspected during April, 1901.....	768
Number of immigrants inspected during April, 1901.....	3
Rejections.....	0
Vaccinations.....	8

*Report of immigrants inspected at the port of Ponce, P. R., during the month of April, 1901.*

Total number of immigrants inspected, 3; number passed, 3.

W. W. KING,  
Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

## STRAITS SETTLEMENTS.

*End of cholera and plague in Singapore.*

MANILA, P. I., April 7, 1901.

SIR: I have the honor to inform you that recent United States consular advices from Singapore state that no cholera has occurred in that colony since March 2, and that no cases of plague have been reported for a period of more than two weeks.

In view of these facts, I have withdrawn all prohibitive regulations against that place, except in the case of old gunnies, which will not be allowed entrance at this port until a longer period of time has elapsed, as no means for their proper disinfection exist at Singapore.

Respectfully,

J. C. PERRY,  
Passed Assistant Surgeon, U. S. M. H. S.

The SURGEON-GENERAL,  
U. S. Marine-Hospital Service.

*Foreign and insular statistical reports of countries and cities—Yearly and monthly.*

AUSTRALIA—*New South Wales—New Castle.*—Three months ended March 31, 1901. Estimated population, 70,000. Total number of deaths 59, including diphtheria, 15; enteric fever, 14, and 1 from measles.

*Queensland—Brisbane.*—Month of February, 1901. Estimated population, 110,951. Total number of deaths, 79, including diphtheria, 1; enteric fever, 2, and 1 from whooping cough.

BAHAMAS—*Dunmore Town.*—Two weeks ended May 10, 1901. Estimated population, 1,472. No deaths and no contagious diseases.

*Governors Harbor.*—Two weeks ended May 11, 1901. Estimated population, 1,357. No deaths and no contagious diseases.

*Green Turtle Cay—Abaco.*—Two weeks ended May 9, 1901. Estimated population, 3,900. No deaths and no contagious diseases reported.